

App. No. 10/716,802  
Amdt. Dated December 29, 2004  
Reply to Office Action of October 5, 2004  
Atty. Dkt. No. 8591-111

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

1. (cancelled) A method of communication for a confined area of a facility, comprising:
  - receiving personal identification information of a group member into at least one of a set of stations distributed throughout the confined area;
  - receiving monetary deposit information for the member group;
  - receiving transaction information from at least one cashless station; and
  - creating transaction reports.
2. (cancelled) A method according to claim 1, further including receiving spending limit information for each group member.
3. (cancelled) A method according to claim 2, further including receiving spending limit change information.
4. (cancelled) A method according to claim 1, further including determining the total amount of cash spent and displaying said total amount.
5. (cancelled) A method according to claim 1, further including determining the amount of the cash to be returned to the group member.
6. (cancelled) A method according to claim 1, further including receiving account information at the cashless station via a personal identification locator.

App. No. 10/716,802  
Amdt. Dated December 29, 2004  
Reply to Office Action of October 5, 2004  
Atty. Dkt. No. 8591-111

7. (cancelled) A system of communication for a confined area of a facility, comprising:
  - means for receiving personal identification information of a group member into at least one of a set of stations distributed throughout the confined area;
  - means for receiving monetary deposit information for the member group;
  - means for receiving transaction information from at least one cashless station; and
  - means for creating transaction reports.
8. (cancelled) A system according to claim 7, further including means for receiving spending limit information for each group member.
9. (cancelled) A system according to claim 8, further including means for receiving spending limit change information.
10. (cancelled) A system according to claim 7, further including means for determining the total amount of cash spent and means for displaying said total amount.
11. (cancelled) A system according to claim 7, further including means for determining the amount of the cash to be returned to the group member.
12. (cancelled) A system according to claim 7, further including means for receiving account information at the cashless station via a personal identification locator.
13. (cancelled) A software system of communication for a confined area of a facility, comprising:

App. No. 10/716,802  
Amdt. Dated December 29, 2004  
Reply to Office Action of October 5, 2004  
Atty. Dkt. No. 8591-111

module for receiving personal identification information of a group member into at least one of a set of stations distributed throughout the confined area;

module for receiving monetary deposit information for the member group;

module for receiving transaction information from at least one cashless station; and

module for creating transaction reports.

14. (cancelled) A software system according to claim '13, further including module for receiving spending limit information for each group member.
15. (cancelled) A software system according to claim 14, further including module for spending limit change information.
16. (cancelled) A software system according to claim '13, further including module for determining the total amount of cash spent and module for displaying said total amount.
17. (cancelled) A software system according to claim 13, further including module for determining the amount of the cash to be returned to the group member.
18. (cancelled) A software system according to claim 13, further including module for receiving account information at the cashless station via a personal identification locator.
19. (new) A method of communication for a confined area of a facility, comprising:  
  
receiving personal identification information of a group member into at least one of a set of stations distributed throughout the confined area;

App. No. 10/716,802  
Amdt. Dated December 29, 2004  
Reply to Office Action of October 5, 2004  
Atty. Dkt. No. 8591-111

receiving monetary deposit information for the member group;

receiving transaction information from at least one cashless station;

creating transaction reports; and

receiving account information at the cashless station via a personal identification locator.

20. (new) A method according to claim 19, further including receiving spending limit information for each group member.
21. (new) A method according to claim 20, further including receiving spending limit change information.
22. (new) A method according to claim 19, further including determining the total amount of cash spent and displaying said total amount.
23. (new) A method according to claim 19, further including determining the amount of the cash to be returned to the group member.
24. (new) A system of communication for a confined area of a facility, comprising:
  - means for receiving personal identification information of a group member into at least one of a set of stations distributed throughout the confined area;
  - means for receiving monetary deposit information for the member group;
  - means for receiving transaction information from at least one cashless station;
  - means for creating transaction reports; and

App. No. 10/716,802  
Amdt. Dated December 29, 2004  
Reply to Office Action of October 5, 2004  
Atty. Dkt. No. 8591-111

means for receiving account information at the cashless station via a personal identification locator.

25. (new) A system according to claim 24, further including means for receiving spending limit information for each group member.
26. (new) A system according to claim 25, further including means for receiving spending limit change information.
27. (new) A system according to claim 24, further including means for determining the total amount of cash spent and means for displaying said total amount.
28. (new) A system according to claim 24, further including means for determining the amount of the cash to be returned to the group member.
29. (new) A software system of communication for a confined area of a facility, comprising:

a module for receiving personal identification information of a group member into at least one of a set of stations distributed throughout the confined area;

a module for receiving monetary deposit information for the member group;

a module for receiving transaction information from at least one cashless station;

a module for creating transaction reports; and

a module for receiving account information at the cashless station via a personal identification locator.

App. No. 10/716,802  
Amdt. Dated December 29, 2004  
Reply to Office Action of October 5, 2004  
Atty. Dkt. No. 8591-111

30. (new) A software system according to claim 29, further including module for receiving spending limit information for each group member.
31. (new) A software system according to claim 30, further including module for receiving spending limit change information.
32. (new) A software system according to claim 29, further including module for determining the total amount of cash spent and module for displaying said total amount.
33. (new) A software system according to claim 29, further including module for determining the amount of the cash to be returned to the group member.
34. (new) A method of communication for a confined area of a facility, comprising:
  - receiving personal identification information of an individual into at least one of a set of stations distributed throughout the confined area;
  - receiving monetary deposit information for the individual;
  - receiving transaction information from at least one cashless station;
  - creating transaction reports; and
  - receiving account information at the cashless station via a personal identification locator.
35. (new) A software system of communication for a confined area of a facility, comprising:
  - a module for receiving personal identification information of an individual into at least one of a set of stations distributed throughout the confined area;

App. No. 10/716,802  
Amdt. Dated December 29, 2004  
Reply to Office Action of October 5, 2004  
Atty. Dkt. No. 8591-111

- a module for receiving monetary deposit information for the individual;
  - a module for receiving transaction information from at least one cashless station;
  - a module for creating transaction reports; and
  - a module for receiving account information at the cashless station via a personal identification locator.
36. (new) A software system of communication for a confined area of a facility, comprising:
- a module for receiving personal identification information of an individual into at least one of a set of stations distributed throughout the confined area;
  - a module for receiving monetary deposit information for the individual;
  - a module for receiving transaction information from at least one cashless station;
  - a module for creating transaction reports; and
  - a module for receiving account information at the cashless station via a personal identification locator.